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THE NEWS OF THE CAPITAL.

THE SENATE A LITLLE CONFUSED. ITS NIGHT SESSION ON MONDAY TOO MUCH FOR IT IT GETS INTO A MUDDLE ON THE REVENUE

BILL-GENERAL NEWS. In Congress yesterday, the Senate disposed of the Revenue bill, and the House its time to the Census and the Legislative bills. The Senate was weary from its long session the previous night, tration of the Government itself. and the Senators got so mixed on the Revenue bill at times that they did not know which way to vote. The House adopted a plan for the public surveys which is virtually the one suggested by the Academy of Sciences. The Cabinet discussed the Chinese question and the cattle plague yesterday.

A STRUGGLE WITH THE REVENUE BILL. THE SENATE GETS VERY MUCH INVOLVED WITH THE BILL, AND DOES DIFFERENTLY FROM WHAT

Washington, Feb. 18.-The Senate has been badly demoralized to-day. It came up smiling after its long visit of the night before, waded boldly through the moreing hour, spent balf an hour on the calendar and attacked the unfinished business with Later in the afternoon, however, lopped about, yawned and tangled absurdly, passing, reconsidering and then passing again, features upon which it had recorded its ad-

ment offered last night by Senator Matthews, placing a duty of 10 cents per pound tax reduction of which he was in favor vote only four Senators recorded themselves in its

debate ceased, and amendments subsequently offered were voted upon immediately. An tax upon distilled spirits was offered by Senator to relieve distilleries of which the daily producing larger distilleries. It was aunounced that this proternal Revenue, and it was carried by a vote of 47

several of its sections were reserved for allowed and a succession of rell-calls took place. Senators were constantly in order to save the bill from mutilation.

A very earnest debate had taken place the Cay before with regard to the time when of May had failed in Committee of the Whole. When the effort was renewed in the have Senator Whyte, who proposed it, was carried a second time and finally, by a vote of | caey of the bell. decentes of delay, for the general tone of de by the friends of the bill had been decidedly averse | CHINESE IMPRORATION - DISCRIMINATIONS AGAINST | bills. The National denies that the Government has so | mail, bargage and express car, and one passenges

The action upon the section repealing the tax on The action upon the section repealing the tax of the acts of the Ministry of the 16th of May matches was equally curious. The House had remarked with support the following the facts without expressing opinion. The Senate Finance Committee had stricken this Committee of the Whole, had made an trajectity of only 1. To-day be renewed the were thought to be very important, effort and carried his point by a vote of 32 The Cobinet expresses decided views with relation to

Senator Morrill at this point moved a non-con-minute on the House amendments to the Revised Statutes. By this time the question had reversed itself so many times that Senators were confused and were analyse to understand whether an affirmative vote was friendly or otherwise to the match interest. The Chair was in doubt, but Senator Ferry got the matter straight, and requested Senators to vote "No." So ceral of them had at last to change their votes before they found themselves on the right side. The result of this voice was to reverse the preceding tote. The House provision was stricken out by a vote of 33 to 27, and the match men were in depair.

CONTROL OF THE CENSUS. THE DEMOCRATS OF THE HOUSE INSISTING UPON A

Washington, Feb. 18.—Although to-day was set apart by special order of the House for the considtrainen of business from the Committee on Ways and Means, Mr. Cox, of New-York, succeeded in getting the House to consider the Census bill, not-Sithstanding that order and an attempt by the Committee on Appropriations to have the House

proceed with the Legislative Appropriation Bill, Assoon as the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Cox began the delivery of a written speech on the subject of the census. He was followed by Mesers, Gardeld, Mills and Butler. The committee then rose, and the House again resolved last line a Committee of the Whole, with the deliver the canada which into a Committee of the Whole, with the deliver the canada were all rejected, on account of the provision of the law not being adequate to cover their demands. The appropriation will be embodied in the sundry Civil Appropriation will be embodied in the builted to thirty minutes. Remarks were made by Messrs, Ryan, Manning and Calkins, and the Clerk began the reading of the bill by sections

When the fourth section, which provides for the by the House Committee giving the nomination of

down by 97 to 96, the Republicans voting for and he Democrats against it

There was no vote reached on the amendment proposed by the committee, but it is evident from the tone of the discussion and the votes taken that the Democrats have resolved to carry it through the House as a party measure. Mr. Conger claimed in his remarks that it is intended to give the Democrats control of an important part of the machinery of Government for party purposes in advance of their gaining control of the adminis-

PLAN OF THE NATIONAL SURVEYS. THE HOUSE AGREES TO A SCHEME WHICH IS SUB-STANDIALLY THAT OF THE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES.

Washington, Feb, 18 .- After an animated dis-

cussion, during which there was at times great dis-

order, this evening, the House in Committee of the the proposition to consolidate the Coast Survey and the three geological and geographical surveys under one head in the Department of the Interior. An amendment offered by Page was adopted, which excepts surveys under the direction of the General Land

proposed by the National Academy of Sciences. A right effort was made to cring up the proposed amendments for the repeal of the sections of the flevised Statutes relating to the test oats for jurots and Federal supervisors of elections, but the Democrats were not in sufficient form to press the matter to-night and soon abandoned it.

ARGUMENTS IN WASHINGTON BY GENTLEMEN DAS VORING THE RAILROAD TELEGRAPH BILL.

Washington, Feb. 18 .- Mr. Goodsell appeared this morning before the Senate Rauroad Comcapacity is not more than thirty gallons, from com- mercial purposes. He spoke in behalf of The New-York vision had the approval of the Commissioner of In- and the Western Union Telegraph Company, and combefore the committee would open the way to a telegraph

competitors admit their inability to create or accumu-

AMERICAN CATTLE.
[GENERAL PRESS DISPATCIL]

pealed "so much of section 3,437 of the Revised attendance at the Cabinet meeting today. Consider-nale time was devoted to a discussion of the bill for re-Shafates as provides for a tax on lumifor matches."

The Secret Physics Committee bad stricken this stricken this

Committee of the Whole, had made an effort to replace the provision as it came from the House, but had been defented by a approve or veto the measure. The senate amendments

to 30, restoring the House provision and repenling the necessity for some legislation which will prevent the tax upon matches. Senator Educates then discrimination against the American export cattle the tax upon matches. Senator Educates then railed attention to the fact that Section 3.437 of the Revised Statutes had not a word to say about matches, and that the prevision just acted upon would repeal acting and enact nething. This matter was recticated and the match lobby in the galleries clapsed is bands and evinced much joy.

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Washington Tuesday, Feb. 18, 1479.

Washington, Thesday, Feb. 18, 1879. The subscriptions to the 4 per cent loan since yea-

terday's report have amounted to \$4.005,000.

By direction of the Presid nt, all the Departments of The bill was carried at 5:30 by a vote of 15 to 21. the general business before it. Nothing was said a the pending question relative to providing the means to need the deficiency in the next fiscal year.

The House Committee on Appropriations to-day aggreed haunts. to allow the State of Georgia interest on one money beaued by that State to the Pederal Covernment during the war with Great Entitle in 1812, the amount being the officers that he torned and flesh As he

ZACHARIAH CHANDLER EFFUENCE TO THE

SENATE. DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 18 .- An election for United States Senator to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Iron, J. P. Caristianev, took place of appointment of supervisors and enumerators, was | Lansing to-day, the two Houses of the Legislature voting

GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS.

THE KHEDIVE INSULTED. DISCHARGED OFFICERS CLAMOROUS FOR PAY-THE

MOB DISPERSED BY THE KHEDIVE'S GUARDS-PO LITICAL FEELING IN GERMANY AND FRANCE. Four hundred discharged Egyptian officers surrounded the official residences of the Presdent of the Council and the Minister of Finance at Cairo, and clamored for arreas of pay. The Khedrye was insuited, his Ministers were shot at, and the rioters were dispersed only by the troops, who fired on the crowd. Prince Hohenlohe has been elected Second Vice-President of the German Reichstag. Herr Lasker appears as the leader of the opposition in relation to the arrest of Deputy Hasselmann, charged with violating the Socialist law. The Whole on the Legislative Appropriation bill, adopted | impeachment of the Ministry of the 16th of May will be opposed by M. Waddington, who will make it a Cabinet question.

A RIOT AT CAIRO.

CLAMOROUS FOR ARREADS OF PAY-THE KHE-Catho, Tuesday, Feb. 18, 1879.

been surrounded to-day by disbanded arrived, fired on and dispersed the rioters. Several arrests were made. Nuoar Pacha was shot in the hand. His conchiman and the Knedive's Master of admit that he was guilty of any intention to do

Alexandera, Paceday, Feb. 18, 1879. The Egyptian budget proposes that the army shall be reduced to 10,000 men, and that the remainder, Including 2,000 officers, be disbanded.

POLITICAL DISCUSSION IN GERMANY. OPPOSITION TO THE ACREST OF SOCIALIST DEPU-THE -PROBABLE PATE OF THE DISCIPLINE BILL.

BERLIN, Tuesday, Feb. 18, 1879. Prince Hohenlohe was to-day elected Secend Vice-President of the Revistog, having obtained 106

appreval of the prosecution and Herr Lasker gave notice of a motion contesting the correctness of the Government's interpretation of the law, and refusing the consent of the Rescustag to the arrests. Debate on the subject was postponed number-to-morrow. The National Liberals, Ultramontanes and

Progressists have agreed to support Herr Lasker. The National Zeitung states that the Customs Tariff

The Daily Telegraph's Berlin correspondent says: "The the socialist law, will forestandow the fate of the Disciplinary bill. In Parliamentary circles there seems to be diffused onto that the bill will be rejected by a considerable majority. For the first fine the National Liberals and Progressists are united. Still the previous wavering policy of the National Liberals must not be forgotten.

THE IMPEACHMENT OF THE MINISTRY OF THE 16TH

OF MAY TO BE GPPOSED BY M. WADDINGTON. The Journal des Debats mentions a report that the municipality of Paris have, resigned in comence of the conceiling of their grant to the returning

The Temps understands that the Government has known,

TRISH QUESTIONS IN GREAT BRITAIN

Lostes, Tuesday, Feb. 18, 1870.
The majority yesterday for the Home Rule condidate at the election for Monnier of Purliament in the County of Cork, was larger than the most of tenure alone. Colonel Colthurst, the successful canclared that the first was a degradation of freiand and

THE DIAMOND LAB-RING THEFT.

AUGUST AND IDENTIFICATION OF THE MAN WHO

the pending question relative to provising the means to need the deficiency in the next facal year.

The House Committee on Elections to-day agreed to while the street was growded with people, and welling with Mrs. De Bary at the time of the assault, The House Committee on Indian Affairs to-day authe scales authorizing the Secretary of the Intester to allot hand in severality to the Intester t tot land in severally to the Indians residing on the arions reservations within the United States, and to him, but the criminal was warned and avoided his usual time potents therefor.

> put his hand to his mp pocket, and then something glam-mered in the gastight to me hand. With a quick movement the officer turned the man's hand aside, and pernames saved the Captain's life, for the thief's marer was on the trigger of a lowled and cocked revolver. He made no further resistance, and was soon safely lodged in the Mercer Street Station-house.

An hour later the officers and the prisoner paid a visit to Mrs. De Harr's hours, at No. 15 West 1,tty-second, st., to secure the identification of the thief. Mrs. De separately, resulting in the election of the Hop. Zachnian Canadier. The vote was as follows: Z. Chindler (Republican), SS; O. M. Barnes (Democrat), 22; Henry Chamberlin Greenback), 18. the supervisors to the Governors of the several States and Territories), debate sprung up on an amendment proposed by Mr. Conger, of Michigant, between the several proposed by Mr. Conger, of Michigant, between the Mr. Conger, at many congruent of the Bank between the Mr. N. Conger, at many congruent of the Several Proposed and Mr. The several proposed and the Mr. Conger, at many congruent of the Mr. Conger, at many con

years old. He is five feet six inches high, of stout build

CAPTAIN BLAIR PLEADS GUILTY.

A SURPRISE AT THE COURT-MARTIAL.

AMY-HIS LAST MARRIAGE TO BE ANNULLED. The trial of Captain Thomas Blair, of the 15th United States Infantry was brought to a sudden close yesterday, much to the suprise of the Courtcourt met at Fort Columbus, on Governor's Island. but waited over an hour for Elliott F. Shepard, of the prisoner's counsel. General McMahen and Mr. Shepard then had a long consultation together. A brother of Mrs. Blair joined them, the whispered conversation continued. The Judge-Advocate and the other members of the court be-Advocate Swaim and Captain Blair's counsel then | demands the right to be heard. General Barcommuned together until Lieutenant-Colonel Ayres. low also testified yesterday about his visit to the President of the Court, lost his patience, and | Florida. said that if the counsel wished a recess for consultation the Court would adjourn for half an hour. Major A BAND OF FOUR BUNDLED DISRANDED OFFICERS Swaim begged the Court to wait for two or three

Another letter from Count Stolberg-Wernigerode after shaking hands with his counsel he walked awas submitted to the Reichstag, asking Parliamway toward the room where he is bent under guard. It was learned that Mrs. Blair had censed

A ROTTEN BRIDGE.

WRECK OF A PASSENGER TRAIN IN ALABAMA-THREE LIVES LOST, THREE PERSONS FATALLY

AND NEWFEREN SEVERELY INJURED. Smma, Ala., Feb. 18 .- The north-bound passenger train, on the Selma, Rome and Dalton Railroad, fell through a rotten bridge over Mulberry Creek, thirteen miles from Selma, at 6 o'clock this

The following were killed: George R. Evans, a ung man, and two negroes, names unknown. The following were injured, it is believed, fatally : M. stanton, General Superintendent; Captain White, the conductor, and N. Y. Hunter, the mail agent. II. A. Reynolds, express messenger; John Rivers Miss Weish, Miss Graham and Miss Bradford, of Talof St. Louis, and four negro passengers, names uu-

ceach, were totally burned. The bridge was per-

THE ANTI-CHINGSE BILL.

THE MUTHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

The following disputch was sent to President Hayes vestering by the managers of the bloss ary Society of the Methodist Eciseopal Church;

CONNECTICET OPPOSED TO THE BILL. Hantfold, Conn., Feb. 18.—In the House the following letter, which was had before the following resolution, which committee to-day:

"Hantfold, Conn., Feb. 18.—In the House the following letter, which was had before the returned A.—Yes. After that I don't think any work that could strictly be called canvasing was done by the

CALIFORNIA ALARMED FOR ITS FATE.

San Francisco, Feb. 18.—The news of the efforts being made by the Eastern press, elergy, etc., to induce the President to veto the anti-Chinese bill, has created much uncostness here, and has called forth from the person a strong and manumous protest. On all stdes, publicly and pri-

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES-BY TELEGRAPH.

Hatifax, N. S., Feb. 18. James Langille, while attempting to exchange a fire in his residence, was our near death. death.

CINCANATA Fob. IS.—A displatch sais: Mrs. Helius, age cighty extented Whitestore, Jod., was fatally berned Southy inglit in consequence of pineing a lighted paper in her recent.

ABBEST FOR MALPEAUTICE.

POTOMEREPSIE, Foo. 18.—The woman Abby cable, at what home Max Jende ha arrowed a war pat no one arrest to say, but being too if to be moved, an officer was pinced in charge of her.

purced in charge of host.

SWIFT JUSTICE IN SERBIASKA.

HASTINGS, Neb., Feb. 18.—James McElvoy, formerly of froncale, work County, III, where his parents will remain, was vested as sentenced to be induced on the 26th of May for the neuron of Henry Stateman on the 7th 182.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 18.—A dispatch says: William Courad, age axicen years of Decarto, Ind., went to the lattice above to feet those, and fell from the harder it such a manner that his necktic caught on a look and he was stranged to death.

MR. TILDEN CONTRADICTED.

SOUTH CAROLINA'S VOIE NOT BOUGHT. THE TESTIMONY OF A REPUBLICAN MEMBER OF THE RETURNING BOARD BEFORE THE POTTER COMMITTEE-GENERAL BARLOW ALSO ON THE

. Mr. Dann, one of the members of the South Carolina Returning Board in 1876, testified further yesterday in denial of the charge that there was any arrangement to sell the constantly vote of South Carolina to Mr. Tilden. was thoroughly informed by them as to Mr. Stone, another member of the Board, has written a letter to the Potter Committee denying that he ever heard of a proposition such a judicial mind as to deal with questions that to buy or reward the Board for casting the vote of the State a certain way. Mr. Stone alludes to the charge made by Mr. Tilden and

NO REPUBLICAN CORRUPTION.

THE STORY OF ME. DUNN CLEAR UPON THAT POINT -THE ONLY PURCHASE ATTEMPTED ONE OF

Washington, Feb. 18.-If the investigation of

Committee has been a vandication of the Repubhears. In Louisiana the tables were turned on some very striking evidence given by bunk, their case entirely broke down. In the Florida gating Commutee metro-day at noon. Ma investigation of last Spring the Democrats Dana was recalled to the witness stand. He testified as and now in the cipber inquiry the integrity of the By Mr. Reed-Did Mr. Solomon make any state Boards, both in Florida and South Carolina, is ment to you about an agent for Mr. Tilsen being down affirmatively proved. The Democrats tried to there (at Tallahasece), or anything of that sort f A.-He purchase both of them, but they utterly failed in add he had been informed that there was an agent of Mr. Tiden in Columbia—Mr. Smith Weed. each instance, and now stand before the country convicted of attempted bribery, without having A COMPLETE VINDICATION.

The vindication of the Returning Board was made complete to-day by the cross-examination of General J. C. Duun, who was a member of that body. The story he told was a straightforward of South Carolina f A.-Henry E. Hayne, Secretary of one, and was not shaken in any particular by the State; F. L. Cardoza, Treasurer; W. E. Stone, Attorney

Hardy Solomon, of Columbia, a man who was willing to get a dip into Tilden's barrel of money if he could, was employed by the Democratic leaders result of the debate on the proposition to arrest and morning. The entire train, except the engine and of South Carolina to buy up the Board, they in 1874. turn being backed by Governor Tilden's nish the necessary funds. In the first elected in 1872 for four years, interview between Solomon and Dunn the Q.—Who was Governor at that time? A.—Governor latter rejected the propositions so positively that | Moses during the first Winter, and Governor Chamber-Solomon from that moment gave up all hope of lain afterwards. The following were severely injured: Albert Pit- unking a bargain. But it would not do for him to ter, brakeman; John Shoemaker, baggage master; go back to his employers and report complete failure. Moses, the Chief-Justice; Mr. Willard and Mr. White because his occupation would then be gone | Q - What relation was Mr. Moses, the Chief Justice, and all chance of getting any of Tilden's money would disappear. There was, therefore, a facit understanding between Solomon and Dunn ladega; Nathan Kahn, of St. Louis; A. Meyer, of Baltimore; T. G. Pulliam, of Savannah; Benjamin that the former should continue his visus, the lat-Schuster, of Selma; Mrs. Portis and two daughters, ter tolerating them because he learned from Solo- the county boards canvasa them and return them to the mon what the Democratic plans were, protecting | State Board. himself in the meantime by reporting the whole | Q.-How long after the beard met was it before has part to the end, going to Baltimore and thence lieve it was the second day.

to New-York, but failing to get the money.

The Demogratic theory that the Board held the count open until it was as crtained that the money could not be relied was also destroyed by General Drankt statement. The Board adjuncted that question on the first day with regard to contested elections. Diann the reception of the news in New-York of the adjournment of the Board. The Democrats has promised to get the money from Henry flave. may promised to ret the motory from Heavy Hievemover, but he had gone to Jercey City that morning
and was to return at 2 o'clock. Solomon said
that if the decision had been held off
until 2:30 o'clock the money would
have been fortheoming, but before that time South
M. Weld rashed into the Everett House in a state
of great excitement with a departh amounting
that the jig was up and that the Board had not
journed. That was a dramatic scene, and may
well engage the brash of the father historical
painter.

STONE PENANDS A HEALTHOL

No other member of the Healthou Healthout for

the committee to-day:

New York F b. 17, 1879.

The Hos. D. T Comp. Workers for the feet the feather than the Sairt I was asserted by tower and Toden to his examination before the Peter Committee at this place that the Sairt I was asserted by tower and Toden to his time tower, so we understood, expring on the 224.

Q.—More directly speaking, to file the face of the returns I A.—i cannot small the pinth day, the 21st of November, our better the Sairt to Toden to his sair to the committee at this place that the sairt to the committee at the sair to the sair to the committee at the sair to sair to the sair to the committee at the face showed the election of Republican because of the processing the committee at the face showed the election of Republican because of the processing was done to the court at the place of the committee of the committee at the sair t the product of the product of the proposition of the product of th

Meant:

Respectfully referred to me Potter Committee of the House of Representatives. Mr. Stone, the writer, was A terray General of Soura Carolina, and excellent a member of the Reducing Roard, and I think he should have an opportunity to State whether there was any arthery or other current practice within his knowledge in the Beard.

from New-York, came on to Washington to give an explanation and to put himself in a proper light before the country, and he succeeded admirably, although the position which he will hereafter hold

will not probably be just what he might have

As long as General Barlow was in the hands of his Democratic friends he told a very straight and plausible story. He went to Florida at the request of President Grant and was intimately associated with the visiting publicans who were in Tallahassee at the same time. But he was an attorney for the Republican party. He did make an argument before Judge White; he did consult with the Republicans; their case; he prepared arguments to be used before the Returning Board; but yet he aimed to preserve

came up not as an attorney but as a judge There seemed to be in his mind a good deal of the Republicans ended and those of an independent states man began. He was not acting as afterney for the Republicans when, on the night after the case had been submitted to the Returning Board, he called on Dr. Cowgill, a member of the Board, and nivesed him to return the State for the Tilden electors; nor when, at a later hour the same night, he told Governor Tilden's representative, E. L. Parris, that he had given this advice to Dr. Cowgill, and put down the figures to show how the State should be counted for Tilden over his own sagnature; nor when the next day he met the leading Democratic lawyers in Tallahassee and informed them of his conclusion; nor later set when he wrote a letter to Dr. Cowgill for the purpose of influencing him to give the State to the Democratic

clear up the doubt which has existed in the minds of many people, some of them Republicans, as to the motives that influenced the Returning Boards of Florida and South Carolina in declaring the result of the election of 1876 as they did, and will vinducate them from even the suspticion of the ving been corrupted by the Republicans.

The cry of "fraud" had been so often and so persistently repeated by the Demograts for more than a year before the Republican view of the Alachua County case, although in his direct examination he had been so force the Gorgillo of the Republicans to use before the force of "fraud" had been so often and so persistently repeated by the Demograts for more than a year before the Potter Countities was appointed, and was joined in by so many men who held respectable positions in

THE STORY OF THE WITNESSES.

Washington, Feb. 18 .- The Potter Livesti-

Q .- For what purpose ! A .- For the purpose of raise

That was what Mr. Solomon told me. Q.-You had no personal knowledge of Mr. Weed's

to my knowledge. The Chairman-Who composed the Canvassing Board

General: Henry Purviss, Adjutant and Inspector Ocu-Q -Had you no official position ! A -I was Control

Q-When were you elected ! A.-I was elected to all the vacancy of Controller-General in September,

turn being backed by Governor Tilden's Q.—Had you previously filled any other position! A. agent, Smith M. Weed, who promised to fur-

Q .- Who composed the Supreme Court ! A .- Mr. E. J.

to the Governor! A .- Father. obey the orders of the Supreme Court? A - Yes.

A PROTE I FROM THE MISSIONARY COUNTITIE OF Hife expersed by statistics, and before the rest of the face indicating the contesting the contesting the contesting the contesting case indicating case indicating case indicating the contesting case indicating case

You other member of the Returning Board of acting returns and to report and certify the resoit to the

Q—As regards these county returns, was there any eistin before you that any had been to tree or tomorred with A—I talks not. I have no recollection at present of any such claim us that.

Q—Were they contested in any way by anybody! A.—Yes, sir, they were contested in several counties.

Q—Dat any of them claim that the count did not present an accordance of the product returns! A—I have no results thus of any claim of that kind. I think the extracted cases almost curicily rows upon claims than thirty were fraudulent voting and irregularities at the pools.

INTEGRITY OF THE RETURNS. Q .- Did you learn in the course of the canvass that the returns from two counties in the State were destroyed and other returns substituted in their place !

Q -I ask if it ever came to your knowledge ! A - Not as a member of the board-no such claim came before the board. Subsequently I learned that some precinct returns had been destroyed, but not any county returns The precinct returns to which I refer were, so far as I Peroliect, in Baruwell County.

Q .- On which side was the claim ! A .- I think on the